

Senator Johnson, is because we did not know of the problem in time to introduce legislation. If we would have known of the problem, we would have introduced legislation at that time. Now I would like to urge you to accept the committee amendments for this reason. If you do not accept the committee amendments, then the next motion by Senator Goodrich possibly could not be germane. Senator Hannibal says, not possibly, he says it isn't germane. So if you want to do something about these National Guard people, accept the amendment, and then we will come in, as Senator Goodrich has said, with another amendment, put the cap on it and go about our way. So I urge you to accept the committee amendments so that the next one will be germane. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hannibal.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. Senator Haberman, your hearing is much better than we anticipated. A question of Senator Goodrich, if I may. Senator Goodrich, why did you not draft the amendment for the one time as an amendment to the committee amendments?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Because, quite frankly, well, I thought I had but they told me...they told me up here that the drafting of it, now that I look back at it, I say...I see, rather, where it says, in essence, strike the original sections, so it does not amend the original amendment, committee amendment, I mean. It actually does just amend the bill.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: That is...I understand, so what Senator Haberman says probably is correct, that you need to...if your goal is to have this be a one-time raise the cap for one year only, that we would need to adopt the committee amendments and take a chance that your amendment gets adopted to the committee amendments so that it would be one time as opposed to a permanent thing?

SENATOR GOODRICH: That is probably correct.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: But that is your goal. It isn't your goal to have it be a permanent situation but to be just rather a one time for this year only?.

SENATOR GOODRICH: My goal, frankly, was to bring both alternatives to the body and let the body make the decision.